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For: ANTICHOLINERGICS, PROCESSES FOR PREPARING THEM, AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THEM

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
IN RESPONSE TO MAY 13, 2003, OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This Reply is filed in answer to the Office Action dated May 13, 2003, and is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). In that Office Action, a three month shortened statutory period was set for response and this Reply and RCE are therefore timely. If it is determined, however, that any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are due in connection with this Reply and RCE, authorization is hereby given to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2955. Furthermore, applicants also request that any subsequently filed reply requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission be treated as if it incorporated such petition for an extension of time pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) and hereby authorizes that any fees due in connection therewith be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-2955.

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